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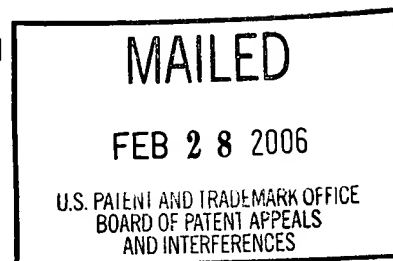
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Application No. 09/557,804

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**ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER**

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This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on January 19, 2006. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being electronically returned to the examiner. The matter requiring attention prior to docketing is identified below.

Information Disclosure Statements (IDSS) were filed November 16, 2001 and March 17, 2004. It is not apparent from the record that the examiner properly considered the IDSS submitted nor notified appellants of why their submissions did not meet the criteria set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

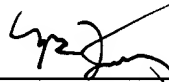
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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner for

1) consideration of the November 16, 2001 and March 17, 2004 IDSS, 2) written notification to appellants regarding the result of the examiner's consideration, and 3) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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